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The reply filed on May 11, 2004 is not fully responsive to the Office action mailed January 21, 2003 because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): In the Office action mailed January 21, 2003 it was stated that an original claim numbered 28 was missing, and that original claims 29-60 were renumbered as claims 28-59, respectively, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.126. In the response submitted May 11, 2004, it appears as if several claims have been given incorrect claim numbers, which have been cancelled in previous amendments. Applicants should re-submit the claim amendments, using the revised claim numbers for claims 28-59 (which correspond to original claim numbers 29-60, respectively). Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to Ashwin Mehta, whose telephone number is 571-272-0803. The Examiner can normally be reached from 8:00 A.M to 5:30 P.M. If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, Amy Nelson, can be reached at 571-272-0804. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-872-9306 for regular communications and 703-872-9307 for After Final communications. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see http://pair-direct.uspto.gov. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

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